ABSOLUTE RATING: Average **IMPROVEMENT RATING: Good**

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 90.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Average

Improvement Rating Good

2001 2002

2003

2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

English/ Language Arts

Advanced







DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=244)	76.2	62.7	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=28)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=216)	77.8	64.8		
Gender				
Male (n=112)	69.6	58.9		
Female (n=132)	81.8	65.9		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=140)	68.6	50		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=102)	86.3	79.4		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=218)	74.3	60.1		
Pay for lunch (n=26)	N/A	N/A		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$6,214	N/A	\$5,658	\$5,347
Prime instructional time	92.2%	Up from 90.6%	89.5%	90.2%
 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 	17.2 to 1	N/A	17.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=582)				
Attendance Rate	97.6%	Up from 97.1%	96.1%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	13.9%	N/A	6.9%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	16%	N/A	5%	3.1%
First graders who attended full day kindergarten	98.3%	Up from 98.1%	97.7%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=49)	3.3%	Down from 5.1%	5.7%	3.6%
 Professional Development days per teacher 	9.4 Days	Up from 6.8	7.7 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	95.5%	Up from 94.4%	94.9%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	30.6%	Down from 37.5	% 43.8%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	69.4%	Down from 75%	80%	83.8%
 Teachers with out-of-field permits 	0%	No change	2.9%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	84.9%	Down from 88.4	% 83.6%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$36,138	Up 3.5%	\$36,453	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	61.9%	N/A	64.9%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	15	N/A	3	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	99%	N/A	85.9%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	59.3%	Up from 28.7%	59.3%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	0.2%	No change	2.1%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	12	N/A	2	1
 Gifted and talented 	6.8%	Up from 5.2%	6.3%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	10.8%	Up from 8.8%	8.8%	8.4%

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a great year at Daisy Elementary. We have completed our seventh year operating on a year-round calendar.

Through the efforts of the faculty and students, we progressed toward meeting the performance goals included in our strategic plan and five-year school renewal plan. Our second through fifth grade classes earned over 18,000 Accelerated Reader points. Our third through fifth grade classes were recognized by the District for having significant achievement on the 2000 PACT. First grade was recognized for significant achievement on Fall 2000 CSAB-93.2% scored "ready," exceeding the district's performance goal. Kindergarten exceeded the district's performance goal for the 2000-2001 school year--more than 87% of kindergarten students attained a text reading level above "2." First grade exceeded the district's performance goal for the 2000-2001 school year--more than 65% of students attained a text reading level above "16"

Many of our teachers participated in professional development focusing on writing, literacy, math, and collaborative training. Four teachers are pursuing National Board Certification, and seven began working on their Masters' degrees. One teacher and one administrator completed their doctorate degrees.

Our greatest achievement was due to operating on a year-round calendar, which allowed approximately 225 students to attend four weeks of intersession school before PACT. Approximately 150 students attended extended day in order to improve PACT FLA and Math scores

The main challenge faced by Daisy Elementary is parental and community involvement. During the coming school year, we will work with our PTO and School Improvement Council to develop a plan to increase parental and community involvement.

Carolyn Chestnut



Daisy Elementary 2801 Red Bluff Rd Loris. SC 29569

Grades PK-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 582 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Good

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	97.9	85.9	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	93.6	80.3	
Satisfied with home-school relations	80.9	96.8	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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